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TITLE: USE OF SUBSTITUTED GAMMA-LACTONE COMPOUNDS AS
PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATIONS

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

(37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1))

Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed together with the above-identified patent application. Thus, a certification under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 (e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p) is not required for the information herein to be considered.

The following information is being disclosed to the Patent and Trademark Office as information that may be

material to the examination of the above-identified patent application.

The above-identified patent application claims priority to German Patent Application No. 10132726.9 filed July 5, 2001 and claims the benefit of PCT International Application No. PCT/EP02/07382 filed July 3, 2002. Applicants' attorney encloses a copy of a German Search Report issued on the priority German Patent Application No. 10132726.9 and a PCT International Search Report issued on the corresponding PCT International Application No. PCT/EP02/07382. The German Search Report cited German Patent Application No. DE 10050663A1 and PCT International Publication No. WO 01/27109A2. The PCT International Search Report cited PCT International Publication No. WO 91/02725 A and "Discovery of Some of the Biological Effects of Nitric Oxide and Its Role in Cell Signalling (Nobel Lecture)", Murad, Angewandte Chemie. International Edition, Verlag Chemie. 38, 1999, pp. 1857-1868.

Applicants' attorney also encloses a copy of "Nitric Oxide Synthase Inhibition In Migraine", Lassen et al., The Lancet, Vol. 349, 1997, pp. 401-402, which was cited in the specification of the above-identified patent application.

Pursuant to Sections 609 and 707.05(b) of the MPEP and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99, the undersigned is bringing the following co-pending U.S. patent applications of which he is aware, to the attention of the Examiner in the above-identified application as they may be considered pertinent to the invention claimed in the above-identified application.

- (1) Express Mail No.: EL 990504542 US
Mailing Date: January 5, 2004
Title: Substituted 1-Aryl-But-3-Enylamine
And 1-Aryl-But-2-Enylamine Compounds
Assignee: Grunenthal GmbH et al.
Attorney Docket No.: 785-011630-US (C01)

- (2) Express Mail No.: EL 990504794 US
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Title: Substituted γ -Lactone Compounds As
NMDA-Antagonists
Assignee: Grunenthal GmbH
Attorney Docket No.: 785-011640-US (C01)

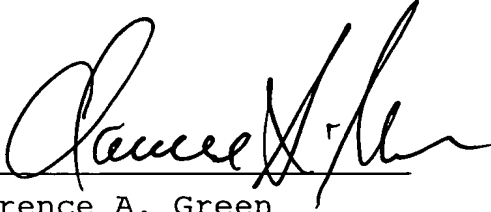
- (3) Express Mail No.: EL 990504803 US
Mailing Date: January 5, 2004
Title: Substituted 1-Phenethylpiperidine
Compounds Used As Inter Alia Analgesics
Assignee: Grunenthal GmbH
Attorney Docket No.: 785-011641-US (C01)

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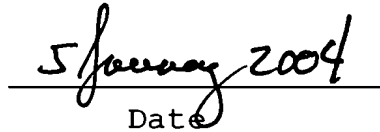
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	WO 91/02725	03/07/91	PCT	Syntheses et Recherches	No
	100 50 663 A 1	04/18/02	Germany	Grünenthal GMBH	No

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Title, Author, Date, Pages, Etc., if known)

	"Discovery of Some of the Biological Effects of Nitric Oxide and Its Role in Cell Signaling (Nobel Lecture)", Ferid Murad, Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 1999, 38, pp. 1857-1868.
	"Nitric Oxide Synthase Inhibition In Migraine", Lassen et al., The Lancet, 1988, Vol. 349, pp.401 - 402

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